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The terminal disclaimer filed on 9/12/2008 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration dates of Patents 6,418,444; 6,742,006 and copending application 10/743,929 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 9/12/2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant primarily argues that prior art reference does not disclose "determining whether a security identification can be authenticated before it is presented to a firewall control block or Java™ compliant applet", however agrees that Montgomery teaches "authenticating a client at a server, which is behind a firewall". Examiner would first like to point out that the Applicant has NOT claimed "determining whether a security identification can be authenticated before it is presented to a firewall control block or Java™ compliant applet" (emphasis added) and in the event such an amendment to the claims were presented, Examiner would update the search to consider the newly presented different scope of the claim limitations.

As such, Montgomery teaches "determining whether a security identification can be authenticated before it is presented to a firewall control block or Java™ compliant applet", as already agreed by the Applicant. Examiner suggests amending the claims.

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